

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 8, line 9 with the following amended paragraph:

Particularly preferably, ~~trimellitic~~ trimellitic anhydride is used as cyclic carboxylic anhydride.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 22 with the following amended paragraph:

Into a glass flask with a volume of 4 l, equipped with a stirrer, a reflux condenser and a temperature measuring facility, 850.0 g of the polyester diol (A) and 409.8 g of isophorone diisocyanate, 839.8 g of methyl ethyl ketone and 2.0 g of dibutyl tin dilaurate were introduced and heated with stirring to 80°C. and the reaction was continued until the NCO content had reached a constant value. Subsequently, the resin solution was cooled to 40°C. and 96.9 g of diethanolamine were added. The molar ratio of isocyanate to diethanolamine was 1:1 for this example. After the exothermic reaction had died down, the temperature was increased to 80°C. within half an hour. Half an hour after reaching the temperature, 57.6 g of ~~trimellitic~~ trimellitic anhydride were added. After a reaction period of one hour, 53.4 g of dimethylethanolamine and 2766.4 g of deionised water were metered in, as a result of which the temperature did not fall below 60°C. After removing the methyl ethyl ketone under vacuum, a stable, opaque dispersion with a solids concentration of 43% was obtained.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 17 with the following amended paragraph:

Into a glass flask with a volume 4 l, equipped with a stirrer, a reflux condenser and a temperature measuring facility, 1041.6 g of polyester diol (B) and 266.4 g of isophorone diisocyanate, 872 g of methyl ethyl ketone and 2.0 g of dibutyl tin dilaurate were introduced and heated with stirring

to 80°C. and the reaction was continued until the NCO content had reached a constant value. Subsequently, the resin solution was cooled to 40°C. and 94.4 g of diethanolamine were added. The molar ratio of isocyanate to diethanolamine was 1 to 0.75 for this example. After the exothermic reaction had died down, the temperature was raised to 80°C. within half an hour. Half an hour after reaching the temperature, 57.6 g of ~~trimellitic~~ trimellitic anhydride were added. After a reaction period of one hour, 53.4 g of dimethylethanolamine and 1858.2 g of deionised water were metered in, as a result of which the temperature did not drop below 60°C. After removing the methyl ether ketone under vacuum, a stable, opaque dispersion with a solids concentration of 45% was obtained.